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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed on May 3, 2004 and is being filed in conjunction with a request for continued examination.

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